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SUBJECT: REPORT OF GEOLOGIC RECONNAISSANCE
16887 Skyline Truck Trail
Jamul, California
APN: 599-51-04

Dear Mr. Preski:

In accordance with your request, we have completed a geologic reconnaissance of the 39-acre site located at 16887 Skyline Truck Trail in Jamul, California (Figure 1, Site Location Map). The purpose of our reconnaissance was to characterize the general geologic conditions at the site with regard to slope stability and rockfall potential, which could affect the proposed site development. The results and conclusions provided in this letter are intended to aid in project planning, and should be considered subject to modification based on a more detailed geotechnical investigation of the site that includes subsurface exploration.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

We have prepared this report for the purpose of satisfying the requirement for a geologic reconnaissance of the site issued by the County of San Diego, Department of Planning and Land Use in their Tentative Map Review letter (County of San Diego, 2008). The scope of services for this report did not include subsurface explorations or laboratory testing. The scope of work for our geologic reconnaissance included the following items:

- Review of available published geologic maps and literature relevant to the project area.
- Reconnaissance of the site on Monday May 5, 2008 to evaluate geologic conditions apparent from surface features, including landslide and rockfall potential.
- Preparation of this report summarizing our observations and conclusions with respect to the geologic conditions at the site.



SITE DESCRIPTION

Most of the site is currently undeveloped and covered with thick chaparral and trees on steeply sloping terrain. North facing slopes in excess of 50% with outcrops of granitic rock are common throughout the site. Elevations at the site range from 2,390 feet above mean sea level (MSL) along Skyline Truck Trail to 2,740 feet MSL on a ridge top along the south side of the site. Access to the property is provided by a driveway along the south side of Skyline Truck Trail. Most of the driveway consists of an unimproved dirt road that traverses up a sloping hillside. The top of the driveway is paved with concrete to provide a parking area for an existing mobile home located approximately one third of the way up the hillside. Other improvements at the site include a water well and pump, several outbuildings, and PVC piping for landscape irrigation.

SITE GEOLOGY

The site is located within the Peninsular Ranges Geomorphic Province of California. This province, which stretches from the Los Angeles basin to the tip of Baja California, is characterized as a series of northwest trending mountain ranges separated by subparallel fault zones, and a coastal plain of subdued landforms. The mountain ranges are underlain primarily by Mesozoic metamorphic rocks that were intruded by plutonic rocks of the southern California batholith, while the coastal plain is underlain by subsequently deposited marine and nonmarine sedimentary formations.

The site is located in the mountain ranges east of Jamul. As observed during our reconnaissance, the site is underlain by granitic rock covered by variable thicknesses of residual soil and colluvium. The regional geology is summarized on the Geologic Map, Figure 2 (USGS, 2004). Generalized descriptions of the geologic units observed at the site include:

Undifferentiated Granitic Rock (Map symbol K_{gr})

Crystalline rock of intermediate composition was observed at the site. Outcrops of the rock are typically light brown to yellowish orange, and have slightly to moderately weathered faces. Large corestones and partially buried boulders more than 30 feet in diameter are common around the site. The rock appears to be associated with the early-Cretaceous

Granitoid Rocks described in the Preliminary Geologic Map of the El Cajon 30' x 60' Quadrangle (USGS, 2004). These rocks include undifferentiated tonalite and granodiorite similar in composition to the Alpine and Japatul Valley Tonalites, and the Corte Madera Monzogranite. Weathered granitic rock was observed in roadcuts and incised drainages around the site. The weathered rock material classifies as fine to coarse grained silty sand (Unified Soil Classification: SM) and poorly graded sand with silt (SP-SM). The weathered rock is light brown to reddish brown in color, commonly iron oxide stained, and exhibits relict rock structure. The rock ranges in hardness from soft to very hard depending on the degree of weathering.

Colluvium and Residual Soil

Colluvium is an accumulation of transported residual soil and weathered formational material found on slopes. Colluvium forms as a result of gravitational, down-slope creep or sheet wash on slopes. Residual soil develops in place and is exposed in the flatter topography. The colluvium and residual soil are similar in appearance and generally consist of fine to coarse grained silty sand (SM) that is light brown to brown in color. The thickness of the colluvium/residual soil was observed to be less than 2 feet in roadcuts at the site. Thicker deposits may exist in portions of the site not observed.

GEOLOGIC HAZARDS AND SITE CONSIDERATIONS

The site is not located within an area previously known for significant geologic hazards such as active faulting or landslides. Potential geologic hazards which may affect site development include:

- Seismic hazards affecting the site primarily consist of ground shaking during seismic events on regional active faults. The nearest known active fault is within the Rose Canyon Fault Zone which is located about 22 miles (35 kilometers) northwest of Jamul. There are no known active faults in the area or projecting toward the site. The site is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. In our opinion, the probability of surface rupture due to faulting is considered low. However, lurching and ground cracking as a result of a significant seismic event on a regional active fault is a possibility.

- Evidence of existing slope instabilities, landslides, or precariously balanced rocks susceptible to falling/rolling downslope were not observed during this site reconnaissance *directly upslope of, or within the planned building pad areas shown on the referenced improvement plans* (Site Plan, Plate 1). Access to areas outside of the proposed development was limited by thick brush and chaparral. Boulders/corestones observed by our field geologist that were in areas that could potentially affect the planned building pads appear to be buried to a significant degree and are not sitting on the ground surface. Most of the boulders observed at the site are irregularly shaped with their long axis emplaced perpendicular to the slope face. These observations indicate that the potential for rockfall and/or rolling boulders to impact the planned building pad areas is low. Portions of the site that are not directly upslope of the building pad areas shown on the referenced improvement plans may be susceptible to rockfall or boulder rolling in the future. Additional site investigation may be required if significant changes are made to the grading plans and/or the building pad areas are relocated.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the results of this reconnaissance, it is our opinion that it is feasible to develop the site as indicated on the referenced Tentative Map (Snipes-Dye, 2008) from a geologic standpoint. No geologic conditions were encountered that would preclude the proposed construction, including evidence of existing landslides or rockfall potential, and, in our opinion, the building pads are safe for human occupancy in their present location with regards to the geologic hazards discussed in this report. However, some geotechnical considerations may exist, such as potentially compressible fill soils, cut/fill transition conditions in building pad areas, and excavations into hard granitic rock. Recommendations for mitigating these issues should be included in a geotechnical investigation report prepared after preliminary site development plans are completed.

LIMITATIONS OF INVESTIGATION

This reconnaissance was performed using the degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised, under similar circumstances, by reputable geotechnical consultants practicing in this or similar localities. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made as to the conclusions and professional opinions included in this report.

Changes in the condition of a property can occur with the passage of time, whether due to natural processes or the work of man on this or adjacent properties. In addition, changes in applicable or appropriate standards of practice may occur from legislation or the broadening of knowledge. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated wholly or partially by changes outside our control. Therefore, this report is subject to review and should not be relied upon after a period of three years.

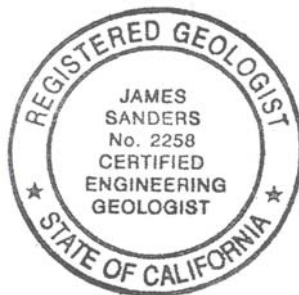
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REFERENCES

County of San Diego, Department of Planning and Land Use (2008). Preski/Gonya Tentative Parcel Map; TPM 20720RPL², Log No. 03-19-002; Seventh Teration Review of Initial Studies/Information Letter dated March 21.

Snipes-Dye associates (2008). Preliminary Grading Plan for TPM 20720 RPL-2, Log No. 03-19-002, 100 Scale, signed September 17.

United States Geological Survey (2004). Open-File Report 2004-1361, Preliminary Map of the El Cajon 30' x 60' Quadrangle, Southern California, Version 1.0, Compiled by Victoria R. Todd, Scale 1:100,000.

PROJECT INFORMATION

OWNER/APPLICANT: JOSEPH G. PRESKI & SAICHON PRESKI
REVOCABLE TRUST DATED APRIL 9, 2002,
DENNIS H. GONYA REVOCABLE TRUST
DATED MARCH 8, 2002
16887 SKYLINE TRUCK TRAIL
JAMUL, CA 91935

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER: 599-051-04

SITE ADDRESS: 16887 SKYLINE TRUCK TRAIL
JAMUL, CA 91935

TOPOGRAPHY: SAN-LO AERIAL SURVEY DATED 08-22-89

EARTHWORK QUANTITIES:

GRADING
EXCAVATE: 16,300 C.Y.
FILL: 11,200 C.Y.
EXPORT: 5,100 C.Y.

NO BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES EXIST
WITHIN THE 15-FOOT PERIMETER FROM
THE PROJECT BOUNDARIES.

OPEN SPACE EASEMENT NOTES:

"A" EASEMENT - THIS PROPOSED OPEN SPACE EASEMENT
IS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF STEEP
SLOPES ONLY.

"B" EASEMENT - THIS PROPOSED OPEN SPACE EASEMENT
IS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF STEEP
SLOPES AND BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES.

1. OWNER'S RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL
AND MAINTAIN WELLS, WATERLINES, SEPTIC DISPOSAL
SYSTEMS, ELECTRICAL LINES (OVERHEAD AND UNDER-
GROUND) AND ANY ASSOCIATED APPURTENANCES OVER
STEEP SLOPE OPEN SPACE EASEMENT ("A" EASEMENT).

PRELIMINARY GRADING PLAN NOTE:

1. THIS PLAN IS PROVIDED TO ALLOW FOR FULL AND ADEQUATE DISCRETIONARY REVIEW
OF A PROPOSED DEVELOPEMENT PROJECT. THE PROPERTY OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES
THAT ACCEPTANCE OR APPROVAL OF THIS PLAN DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AND APPROVAL
TO PREFORM ANY GRADING SHOWN HEREON, AND AGREES TO OBTAIN A VALID GRADING
PERMIT BEFORE COMMENCING SUCH ACTIVITY.
2. ALL PARCELS TO HAVE 16 FOOT WIDE DRIVEWAYS FROM PRIVATE ROADS TO PADS.

EASEMENTS:

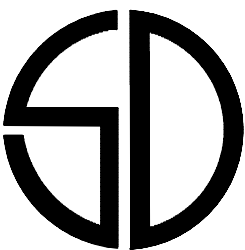
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EASEMENT AS SUCH THAT IT CANNOT BE PLOTTED.

WAIVERS REQUESTED:

WAIVERS OF PRIVATE ROAD STANDARD CONDITIONS TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING:

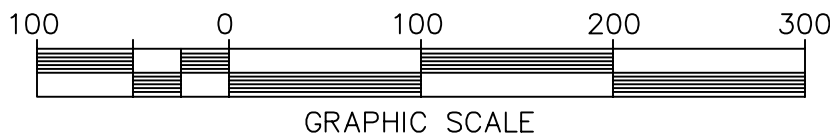
1. 60 FOOT CENTERLINE RADIUS OF PRIVATE ROAD.
2. MAXIMUM GRADE OF 20%.
3. LENGTH OF 20% GRADE MAY EXCEED 300 FEET.

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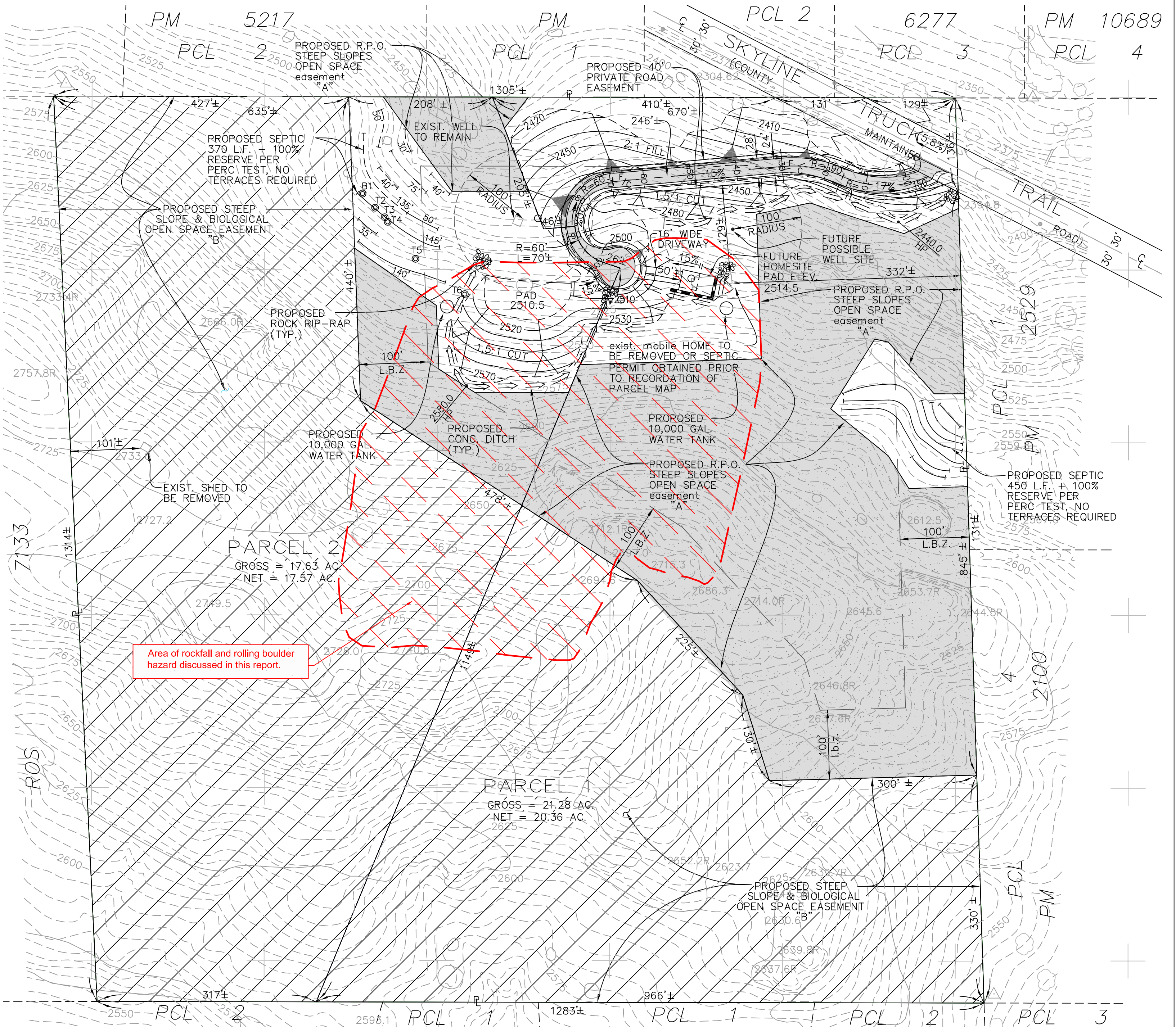


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PLATE 1



SITE PLAN
16887 SKYLINE TRUCK TRAIL

STEEP SLOPE/OPEN
SPACE EASMENT MAP
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TPM 20720 RPL-2
PRELIMINARY GRADING PLAN